

REMARKS

Applicant has amended claims 6-10 to underscore the fact that the claimed product is produced by the method of claims 1-5. Based on this relationship between the two claim groupings, Applicant requests that the examiner rejoin Group II and consider all of the claims together.

A favorable disposition of the claims also is requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned directly, should he feel that consideration of any given point(s) would advance the present prosecution.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees. which may be required regarding this application under 37 CFR §§ 1.16-1.17, and to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment accompany this response, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to the same deposit account. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of these papers, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 CFR §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to the deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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